



PATENTS
Attorney Docket No. AAA-003

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : William K. Slate, II et al.
Application No. : 09/990,402 Confirmation No. : 3669
Filed : November 21, 2001
For : ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
DISPUTE MANAGEMENT
Group Art Unit : 3621
Examiner : Evens J. Augustin
Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of the shortened statutory period set for reply to the November 12, 2004 Office Action, to extend the date for reply up to and including May 12, 2005.

The Director is authorized to charge the fee \$510.00 in payment of a three-month extension as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 000604.0008. The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order

No. 000604.0008. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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